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## **REMARKS / ARGUMENTS**

In complete response to the outstanding Official Action of June 20, 2006, on the above identified application, reconsideration is respectfully requested. Claims 28-30 remain in this application. Claims 1-17, and 45-50 have been cancelled without prejudice.

## **Allowable Subject Matter:**

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that Claims 28-30 are free of the prior art.

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## CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is believed that the present application now stands in condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. Should the examiner believe a telephone call would expedite the prosecution of the application, he is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

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